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## **BY ECF & EMAIL**

Honorable Vernon S. Broderick United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Anthony Pietropinto, 19 Cr. 261 (VSB)

Dear Judge Broderick:

The Government writes regarding the above-captioned case. Defense counsel has informed the Government that the defendant intends to enter a guilty plea. In light of this development, and with consent of defense counsel, the Government respectfully requests that the Court adjourn the status conference currently scheduled for April 16, 2020, set a change of plea hearing for a date in late June 2020, and excluded time from calculation under the Speedy Trial act through the date of the plea. The requested exclusion of time will serve the interests of justice, as it will allow the defendant an opportunity to prepare for the plea hearing and will reduce the risks to the parties and the Court posed by the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Respectfully submitted,

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